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VOLUNTEERS MAN A BSA COLLECTION BOX to raise the funds to send delegates to a conference in Toronto. So far a total of \$700 has been promised from the Education and Engineering Undergraduate Societies.

Pollution level reports inaccurate

by Morrie Schneiderman

Sulphur dioxide levels in downtown Montreal are really two to three times higher than the levels reported daily by the local news media.

This information was revealed last week in an interview with Walter Brabant, Superintendent of Laboratories of the Health Department on the City of Montreal.

Pollution Symposium

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, February 3, 4 and 5 a symposium on pollution will take place in the Palmer Howard Lecture Theatre at the McIntyre Medical Building of McGill University, 1200 Pine Avenue West.

The symposium, organized by the McGill Engineering Undergraduate Society, features pollution experts from the French and English speaking communities in Quebec. It opens with a panel discussion on Wednesday 3rd at 8:30 p.m. The general topic of this discussion will be "Pollution in Canada".

Members of the panel will include: Dr. Victor Goldbloom, Minister without Portfolio responsible for the Quality of the Environment; Dr. Fred Knelman from the Humanities of Science Department, Sir George Williams University and Mr. David Mather from Dominion Engineering Works Ltd.

He stated that the levels reported by the media are the readings taken at the lab at Ontario and Amherst streets. These readings are representative of the city as a whole, but he explained that the readings from the station at Drummond and St. Catherine streets are usually two to three times higher.

At present the annual city average of SO₂ concentration is 0.04 parts per million at the Amherst and Ontario streets lab.

The objective of the Air Sanitation Department of the Urban Committee of Montreal is to keep the annual SO₂ level below 0.02 ppm and the daily level below 0.1 ppm.

These levels were established by the U.S. Department of Health and Welfare as the maximum safety levels for cities.

Health problems have been shown to result when the concentration rises above 0.1 ppm or when the concentration remains above 0.02 ppm for significant lengths of time.

Brabant attributed the present low (?) levels of SO₂ to the decrease in the use of coal for heating.

One reason that SO₂ is harmful is that it combines with water to form sulphurous acid. Also, SO₂ does not break down naturally, but can form sulphuric acid, which is about ten times as harmful as SO₂.

Soot particles contain up to 14% sulphuric acid.

Another harmful pollutant found in Montreal is carbon monoxide. The new criteria of the U.S. Health Department establishes a permissible level of 10 ppm.

Brabant claims that the general level of carbon monoxide

in Montreal is below this.

On the other hand, he said that the concentration of carbon monoxide in cigarette smoke is about five hundred ppm, fifty times the tolerable level.

Responsibility for measuring the air pollution has recently passed from the Health Department of the City of Montreal to the Air Sanitation Department of the Urban Committee of Montreal.

The move took place after it was realized that air pollution is a regional problem and not one which ends at municipal boundaries.

At U. of Sask.

Law strike goes on

SASKATOON (CUP) — Law students at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon voted Saturday (Jan. 30) to continue the strike which began last Wednesday (Jan. 27).

At the Saturday general meeting, the students declared the strike committee as the sole bargaining agent of the students and that only another general meeting of Law students could end the strike.

The general meeting directed the Law Students Association not to engage in any negotiations with the Administration or Faculty.

The strike blew up over the massive failure rates which were given the second year Law students on Christmas exams. In one class, student papers were given a bonus of 30 marks and the class average was still only 59 percent.

The issue was apparently the focus of a much more general dissatisfaction of students with the school, and with student-faculty relations there.

The law students' demands, re-ratified at the Saturday meeting, included a call for a parity committee of six students and six faculty to investigate examination policy and a demand for a permanent Review Board.

The Saturday meeting also directed the strike committee to meet once more with Dean Roger Carter to explain the issues and directives arising out of the Saturday meeting, and then to hold no more negotiations until the Law Faculty Council meets to discuss the merits of the strike and the demands made.

The faculty of the College has so far made no response to the strike demands.

BSA charges ESU racism

The McGill Black Students' Association has charged some members of the Engineering Undergraduate Society executive with racism.

Sally Cools and Bob Stephens, co-chairmen of the Association, are so incensed over the whole affair that they have decided to call an open meeting today at 11:30 am in the Union Ballroom.

At this meeting, they intend to outline their charges "so that the students of McGill may judge for themselves how we've been treated."

The intricate sequence of events which led to the charges of racial prejudice began Thursday evening when the BSA presented a request to the EUS for funds to

tion was being circulated to stop payment.

However, thorough examination of the EUS constitution as given in the Engineering Handbook shows that there is no provision made for directly overruling the decisions of the council.

Excerpts from a BSA statement

The EUS treasurer Roy Lochhead has acted in a most unconstitutional and racist manner. The black students of McGill will not allow this abuse of their rights.

We contend that Roy Lochhead is an unfit representative of the engineering students and any person or persons upholding him is an accomplice to his racism.

It is the duty of the engineering students to erase this stigma from their name by recalling Roy Lochhead as their treasurer.

All self-respecting individuals and groups must support this demand.

Although Lochhead did not specify who was circulating the petition, investigation revealed that one of the councillors who had voted against the payment was instrumental in obtaining the signatures.

After being given the run-around for about half an hour, Stephens was told that, since the "required" number of signatures had been obtained, payment would have to be stopped.

When it was pointed out to Lochhead that the petition merely asked for an open meeting, and that it did not mention stopping payment, the treasurer again began dawdling while a second petition went the rounds.

He adamantly refused to write a cheque for at least an hour. The only condition under which he was prepared to give the money, he said, was upon a promise from the BSA that repayment would be arranged if an open meeting of the Society disapproved of the payment.

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BLACK STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Open meeting today in the Union Ballroom at 11:30 am to discuss BSA charges of racism against the EUS. All welcome.

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3 p.m. McConnell Eng. 204

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McGILL MEN'S INTRAMURALS

INTRAMURALS THIS WEEK

BASKETBALL - Monday, February 1

7:30 p.m. - ct. 1 - Med Q vs. Guardians
- ct. 2 - Dents vs. Surgeons
- ct. 3 - Inter Residence game

8:30 p.m. - ct. 1 - Lawyers vs. Talbotians
- ct. 2 - Alesmen vs. Grads
- ct. 3 - Inter Residence game

ICE HOCKEY

Mon., Feb. 1 1:00 p.m. Dentistry vs. Education
Wed., Feb. 3 1:00 p.m. Arts vs. Engineering
Thurs., Feb. 4 1:00 p.m. Science vs. Management

BROOMBALL

Mon., Feb. 1 1:00 p.m. L.C. M-Deities vs. 4th Floor
Tues., Feb. 2 1:00 p.m. L.C. Talbotians vs. BioChem
9:00 p.m. W.S. Architects vs. Mother Truckers
9:45 p.m. W.S. Flying Aces vs. Grads
Wed., Feb. 3 1:00 p.m. L.C. Byrds vs. Gross Outs
5:15 p.m. W.S. Golden Baggies vs. Law
Thurs., Feb. 4 1:00 p.m. L.C. Med I vs. Mudders
Fri., Feb. 5 1:00 p.m. L.C. Crotch Checkers vs. Proletariate

VOLLEYBALL - All games at 1:00 p.m.

Tues., Feb. 2 ct. 3 - Computers vs. Eng I
Wed., Feb. 3 ct. 1 - Dents vs. Architects
ct. 2 - Talbotians vs. MechGrad
ct. 3 - Gross Outs vs. Gynos
Thurs., Feb. 4 ct. 1 - ChemEng vs. Mandarin
ct. 2 - BioChem vs. Sportsmen
ct. 3 - All Stars vs. Med I
ct. 4 - Law vs. Alesmen

FLOOR HOCKEY

Tuesday, February 2 Wednesday, February 3
7:30 p.m. Cuspids vs. Avengers 5:30 p.m. Artfull Didgers vs. Fish
8:15 p.m. Alesmen vs. Lymphos 6:15 p.m. Talbotians vs. Will Do's
9:00 p.m. Med I vs. Imperialists 7:00 p.m. 50's vs. Law
7:45 p.m. Douglas vs. McConnell
8:30 p.m. Gardner vs. Molson

BSA..

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Lochhead made no secret of his opinions upon the matter. The treasurer told Stephens that he was personally against the payment.

At last, the treasurer agreed to write a post-dated cheque for \$500. He dated it January 31, 1970; he now claims it was a "mistake".

When the error was brought to his attention, he changed the year to 1971.

When the co-chairmen of the BSA were in the process of de-

positing the money, however, the treasurer walked into the bank and informed the staff that he wished to stop payment on the cheque.

(The Daily learned late last night that EUS President Mike Reynolds had promised to write the BSA another cheque for collection at 10am.)

This is the second time that the EUS has paid an organization some money and then stopped the cheque. The same thing happened to Le Front d'Action Politique last year.

The EUS wrote out a cheque for \$100 and then reneged on the deal stopping payment until a

referendum overruled the council's decision.

The illegality of Lochhead's action was borne out by Kim Pang, EUS secretary and student councillor, who later told Stephens that he thought the treasurer's action unconstitutional.

Students' Society President Hutton Archer was also of the same opinion when contacted. He called what happened "the most highhanded and arrogant thing I have ever heard of."

International Students' Association President Robert Hosang was even more outspoken.

"I don't see any reason for this discriminatory action on the part of the Engineering students," he said.

Recalling ISA's difficulties with previous student councils, Hosang added, "I'm not surprised. There are tendencies like this all over."

He expressed his Association's "total support for any action that may be brought against the EUS."

Archer said he would have to get in touch with the EUS President before deciding what action to take upon the matter.

EUS President Michael Reynolds was unavailable for comment.

ASSOCIATION OF JEWISH STUDIES STUDENTS GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY, FEB. 1 UNION 307
6 PM



McGILL MEN'S INTRAMURALS

TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Deadline for entries has been extended to
Friday, February 5th.

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BLACK STUDENTS ASSOC: Support the fund drive. Info. Union B48.

OLD MCGILL: Appointments for grad pics now being taken. B44, all day.

SIC: For info and help come see us. Interested volunteers welcome. Union switchboard, 12-3.

COMMUNITY MCGILL: Male volunteers urgently needed. Phone 392-8992, 931-2016 or leave note in Union 412..

DEBATING UNION: Kate Millett. L132, 8pm.

CAMERA CLUB: Sign up for beginner's course. B12.

NEWMAN CENTRE: "The Experience of the Living God in the Bible." — Julien Harvey, U de M. 3483 Peel, 7pm.

ECONOMIC STUDENTS REPS: Deadline for nominations extended to 4pm. Candidates' meeting. 4:30pm., L514.

EUS: Referendum over BSA issue, Engineering bldg.

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Archer's identity crisis

by Mike Prupas

The President of the Students' Society, Hutton Archer, seems to be going through something of an identity crisis these days.

He knows that the Students' Society is not exactly attracting hundreds of eager students to the activities which it sponsors, and he is wondering whether the Students' Society, as we know it is outdated.

"The Students' Society is not able to interest students in the things we are doing," Archer said. "We've offered them all sorts of entertainment in past years but there doesn't seem to be very much student interest in those kind of things."

"When we gave rock concerts, they were attended mostly by high school kids," Archer added.

Saying that such traditional organizations as the Daily, Radio McGill and the Winter Carnival do not satisfy the interests of very many students, Archer envisions the possibility of a Students' Society being run along the lines of MSEA.

"In order to get through school many students need jobs, and the Students' Society should play a role in providing them," Archer commented.

"There's a bread and butter issue which comes before the moral issue; I happen to know something about MSEA and they provide jobs which are much needed," Archer continued.

MSEA, in a statement which they issued in December, claimed that they had provided approximately \$80,000 in student salaries for the period from September, 1969 to August 1970. The statement made no comparison between the level of salaries paid to the staff and the level paid to the MSEA management.

Africa conference sparse

by Nigel Gibson

The Maoist-oriented Africa Study Group held a seven hour conference at McGill Saturday, to discuss the various national liberation struggles of the people of Africa.

The conference, held in a Leacock auditorium brightly decorated with posters and slogans of Mao Tse Tung, failed to attract many people, and in fact at times the speakers outnumbered the audience.

Most of the morning was taken up by various long and prepared speeches describing the progress of the guerrilla groups presently operating in South Africa, Rhodesia, and Angola and Mozambique.

No concrete proposals were made but the words "running dogs, lackeys, imperialist stooges and bootlickers," were repeated again and again in the various speeches denouncing the colonialist regimes.

Devinder Garewal, B Eng 5, interrupted the proceedings at one point to state the "self determination by the African people, and not the intervention of so called liberals will drive the fascists and their stooges from Africa."

However, when some African students in the audience spoke out against some of the rhetoric,

and offered their more moderate solutions to the problems afflicting their continent, they were repeatedly interrupted by the organizers who stated, "that's not the right line, comrade."

Another point of disagreement was the question of education, and whether it was necessary for the revolutionary struggle.

Garewal and his supporters stated that "education is totally unnecessary and may even be a disadvantage to the revolutionary struggle."

"All that is necessary, continued Garewal, is that the peasant masses be aroused to revolutionary consciousness."

Again, when some students in the audience said that "education is necessary as a means to inform the masses and arouse them to the necessary consciousness," they were interrupted by "that's not the correct line, comrade."

The only thing that most people

seemed to agree upon was that the "future of the liberation struggles in Africa depend upon the correct and full interpretation of Mao Tse Tung's thought."

The conference broke up in the early afternoon, intending that small group discussions follow, but before any groups could be assembled most of the people had drifted away.

ECONOMICS STUDENT REPS-NOMINATIONS

Deadline extended to 4pm today, to be submitted to Mrs. Groulx, L433. Must state position sought (Grad, Honours, or Member at Large) and candidate's signature.

Meeting of all candidates: Today 4:30, L514.

Royal Commission on Status of Women

Woman MP defends report

by Donna Balkan

Grace MacInnes, Canada's only female MP (NDP - Vancouver-Kingsway) - strongly defended the government's Royal Commission Report on the Status of Women Friday.

Speaking to students on the last day of the two-week Civil Liberties teach-in at Sir George, she stated, "This is not a female document in any sense of the word. It is a human document. If its provisions are put into effect, it will bring about a social revolution in this country."

She went on to compare the position of women to that of other oppressed groups. "It is going to be a long hard road to get equality for women, just as it is going to be a long hard road for the Indians, Negroes, and people of low income groups."

Among the recommendations of the Royal Commission Report supported by Mrs MacInnes are the establishment of day-care centres, the institution of maternity leaves for working women, the liberalization of abortion laws, and the greater availability of birth control information.

Discussing this last recommendation she stated, "Anyone who engages in sexual intercourse without any form of contraception is showing the height of social irresponsibility; today, the provision of more and more quantities of children is the nemesis of our race."

She added that 74% of all women who sought abortions last year had not used any form of birth control.

Outlining the role of women in the past, as compared with today, Mrs. MacInnes believed

that women no longer have to provide many children as "cannon fodder for the armies and souls for the church."

The fact that one third of Canada's labour force is now composed of women shows how things have changed. "Women are out of the home, and they are out to stay."

She also urged female university students to stand for election, both on the university and the provincial-federal level.

tion, both on the university and the provincial-federal level.

Although a large part of her speech dealt with the protection of women's rights, it is the protection of all human rights that most deeply concerns Grace MacInnes.

"It's nice to be a man, if that's what you are; it's nice to be a woman if you happen to be a woman. It's better to be a complete person," she concluded.

Priest says love conquers all

by Esmond Choueke

As advertised, the Rev. Richard Wurmbrand gave a personal account of the death-defying Christian love which saved his life during 14 years of extreme torture in Roumanian prisons.

Wurmbrand, speaking to 400 in the Union Ballroom Friday, concocted a strange brew of religion, politics, and psychology.

"Marx's revolutionary actions were an expression of rebellion against his Jewish father directed towards the state," declared the author of *Why Am I a Revolutionist?*

"There are no solutions for the world other than love," spake Wurmbrand, who also supports the American intervention in Vietnam.

The Jewish-born priest, brought here by the McGill Christian Fellowship, opined that Communists and Nazis tend to hate merely for the sake of hating. He lumped together Stalin, Krushchev, Trotskyites, and Hitler's SS and used them as examples.

As for promoting his brand of religion, the priest declared, "Every girl would feel better to know that someone very handsome and with a very good character loves her."

And to emphasize the importance of dogged determination in spreading Christian love, Wurmbrand pointed out that it took 606 experiments before a cure was found for the clap.

"If you step on a rose, all you can get is its sweet smell... if you step on a Christian, all you can get is love," underlined Wurmbrand in his denunciation of the European Communist 'countries' practice of imprisoning religious advocates.

Wurmbrand refused to say anything of capitalism, pointing out that "you can't mix biology and chemistry."

But, he was sure that all forms of Marxism and Communism are to be hated, as long as you keep in mind that Marxists and Communists themselves are to be loved.

Building manager Frank Costi was a bit worried about trouble. Just before the speech he warned certain individuals saying, "I'll punch the first guy who tries to grab the mike."

It seemed to have worked.

Greece drained by US

by Dave Rovins

"Bulgaria is to the USSR as Greece is to the United States," Professor Papandreou coldly stated Friday. "Satellitization has been achieved by the West and the military is the most important intellectual, social and political force in the world."

"The military is the main feature of the Western 'corporate - security complex,' he alleged.

Professor Papandreou stressed the foreign penetration of Greece in his talk. The Litton Company and the Pechiney company, the latter of which cost a half billion dollars to the Greeks, tried to convince the Government to establish plants for the production of electricity.

Then Aristotle Onassis came into the picture. The opportunistic venture proposed by the shipping magnate was that his tankers be used to transport the oil for the electrical development.

Since Greece has inadequate hydro-power, his proposal was accepted - at a cost of \$800 million to the Greeks.

Professor Papandreou also talked about economic development in general. He said that he did not believe in stages of growth which he held to be an elitist conception.

"It is unnecessary that the underdeveloped countries should have to go through stages to catch up with western economies," he argued.

"The economic process is global; you can't talk about the development of Great Britain as a local development. They are not truly isolated incidents. They are part of the same process."

Professor Papandreou made an important distinction between growth and development: "Growth takes place within a given structure and is a process. Economic development is a structured change," he stated.

Papandreou urged economists to "cease thinking of the experience of the West as a prototype. It is unique historically and was unplanned growth. Peoples of the third world are now talking about planned development."

Papandreou also chided economists for thinking that they can deal with pollution. "The system, as it is, cannot accommodate a solution to the pollution problem."



PROFESSOR PAPANDREOU speaking against US imperialism in Greece at McGill last Friday night.

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Arbitrary and undemocratic

From what we can gather right now it looks like the Black Students' Association has a hell of an important beef against certain people in the Engineering Undergraduate Society. The blacks were granted \$500 by perfectly constitutional procedures; the money would finance the sending of student delegates to a Black Youth Conference in Toronto.

The BSA had been frantically searching for funds with not too much success and it looked like the money from the engineers would help. But soon after the EUS made the allocation several of its members including the treasurer, began trying to overrule the EUS Council decision. They assert that "we don't think this organization was set up to finance ethnic groups."

The situation becomes crucial because if Montreal is to send delegates to the conference the money must be had right away. Therefore any delaying tactics by the EUS treasurer can't be seen as mere legitimate dissent from a decision of the ruling body. In the first place the EUS constitution doesn't seem to provide for such procedure and in the second place delay really means death for the project.

Student bodies spend so much money on junk that we should welcome apparently worthwhile ventures like a conference that would help Canadian black youth who are looking for answers to their common and unique problems, like discrimination, unemployment, drugs and delinquency. The Students' Society has supported this venture with a small publicity budget but the overall financial situation prevented any substantial aid. The engineers could afford it and even passed a grant of \$500 through their council, but now some of them seem reluctant to part with money which they probably would rather spend on suds and sundries.

The use of the 'racist' epithet against the EUS treasurer is a serious one. It is probably best left uncharged, as it is hard to prove and it would be more effective to leave his actions during a very special time-limited situation speak for themselves. At best they are crude and reactionary.

What the EUS treasurer has tried to do has been to arbitrarily and undemocratically use his signing power to destroy a progressive gesture by engineers. In so doing he and his supporters not only hurt the blacks but also contribute to a useless racial polarization that does nothing for the problems that are common to us all, blacks and whites.

We think the majority of engineering students should speak up to denounce such actions. They should even consider letting some heads roll, not so much as retribution but as a response to unjustifiable behaviour.

Joey Treiger

The evaporation of French Canada Studies

"This way of dealing with the problem will be useful when it arises again."

In this spirit the Academic Policy Committee cut the French Canada studies Centre on January 28 from a budget of \$83,000 to \$53,000. This statement represents the callous formality with which the committee handles its accounts. Chairman of the committee, Vice Principal Oliver, spoke intimately of the negative reports they were considering — even to the extent of assuming the contents of a report not yet written. One could not expect otherwise since only allies had been requested to write them. Our aim here is to examine the spirit of this meeting. Because this spirit is the product of the whole committee, it is unnecessary to identify individuals who made these remarks as expression of the committee's philosophy.

Opposition

Opposition to the Centre must come from an archaic misunderstanding of the role of McGill in Québec. Although forces behind the stifling of the Centre undoubtedly see their action as "realistic" given the present financial situation, one also wonders whether they believe that the only data a research group on French Canada can generate would display the blindly colonial role of the English-speaking community (and McGill). Whether the opposition desire results from short-run economic worries or from a compulsion to protect the prestige of McGill, the arguments were phrased in terms of cold, hard cash.

Considerations of "academic policy" had almost evaporated. Dean Nicholls (in a December meeting of the committee) declared that the Centre was undesirable because it was "academically unproductive", but refused (when challenged) to reveal the criteria by which the and his colleagues in the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research had arrived at this sweeping judgement. One member

Comment by
Bob Anderson and
Nancy Thede

confided that there are no academic criteria. There were many remarks like "we must discuss this from an academic rather than a budgetary point of view". But the situation has deteriorated to make these 'points of view' inseparable. The chairman and certain other members were predisposed to deal with the question as briefly and neatly as possible, but he "declined to put the programme within a scale of priorities". The forces behind the opposition to the Centre seem to be in complete ignorance of the necessities of a productive research centre. They are perhaps not really asking why this small centre is unproductive: surely the quality of the research is determined by the resources allocated. The opposition was looking mainly for production-quantity. It may be that they knew all along how to keep the Centre "academically unproductive".

Salvage

There was some resistance to this procedure, but only within the rules of the game. Professor Roy had defended the Centre in the December meetings (number of publications; number of members; etc.) In this last meeting he admitted that the new \$53,000, would be sufficient to operate a teaching program in the Faculty of Arts (when it is created). He had some committee support: "we hope it will be made clear in the final draft that there are those among us who believe this is the minimal program, that this is as far as the cuts should go." But the committee acted as a group to permit the issue to slip by with weak protests about "inordinate cuts", not about the failure to collectively review the policy and criteria (?) by which this was done. Outside the meeting a committee member said "we managed to hold off greater cuts — perhaps \$20,000 more. We salvaged something from the hands of Vice Principal Frost and Dean Nicholls who are determined to eliminate it. It could have been \$30,000 left, not \$53,000."

There was, however, an inability or unwillingness to consider the demotion of the Centre in its full meaning. The reaction of the McGill administration against the rise of a new feeling and new

goals in Québec determines their negative treatment of a program which has the potential to produce embarrassing evidence, like the Dossier du Québec.

Results

The result of the meeting was the creation of a cloud of vagueness, a vacuum of indecision amongst members in which it was possible for Oliver to state that he, Dean Stansbury and Professor Roy would draft their final decision and send it directly to Senate: "it is unnecessary for us to discuss it again." But new questioners, slow to react, began asking "isn't there a building or house somewhere involved in all this?" (answer: "that will be taken care of.") "Will it be possible for them to carry on research?" (answer: "oh yeah, everyone does research here"). "Will it be a programme or a Centre?" (answer: "we'll draft that carefully"). "Isn't the cut inordinately large for one part of the university?" (answer: "it is in line with other cuts").

This vacuum is promoted by the chairman's style — his suave confidence and wordy elaboration on the symbols of a democratic meeting. There were four students present but only one (Shapiro) had the temerity to ask questions. A joking suggestion was that he should act as town crier to broadcast these results since it was thought possible that the Daily, the Star, or TV might not be relied on to do so faithfully. There was one woman on the committee (besides the chairman's obediently efficient secretary) but she did not say a word. Most discussion, despite the presence of more than 20 members, was restricted to roughly six men. But the atmosphere of democratic formality covered an unwillingness to examine any principles at all. Frightened and angered that the rest of the university did not care, we watched the opposition manipulate the vacuum created by this formality and unwillingness. The real information lay behind an opaque feigningness; in that atmosphere the only thing which can be performed is a salvage operation — though committee members knew the situation for weeks.

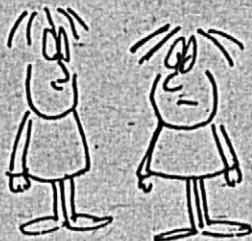
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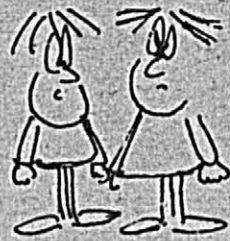
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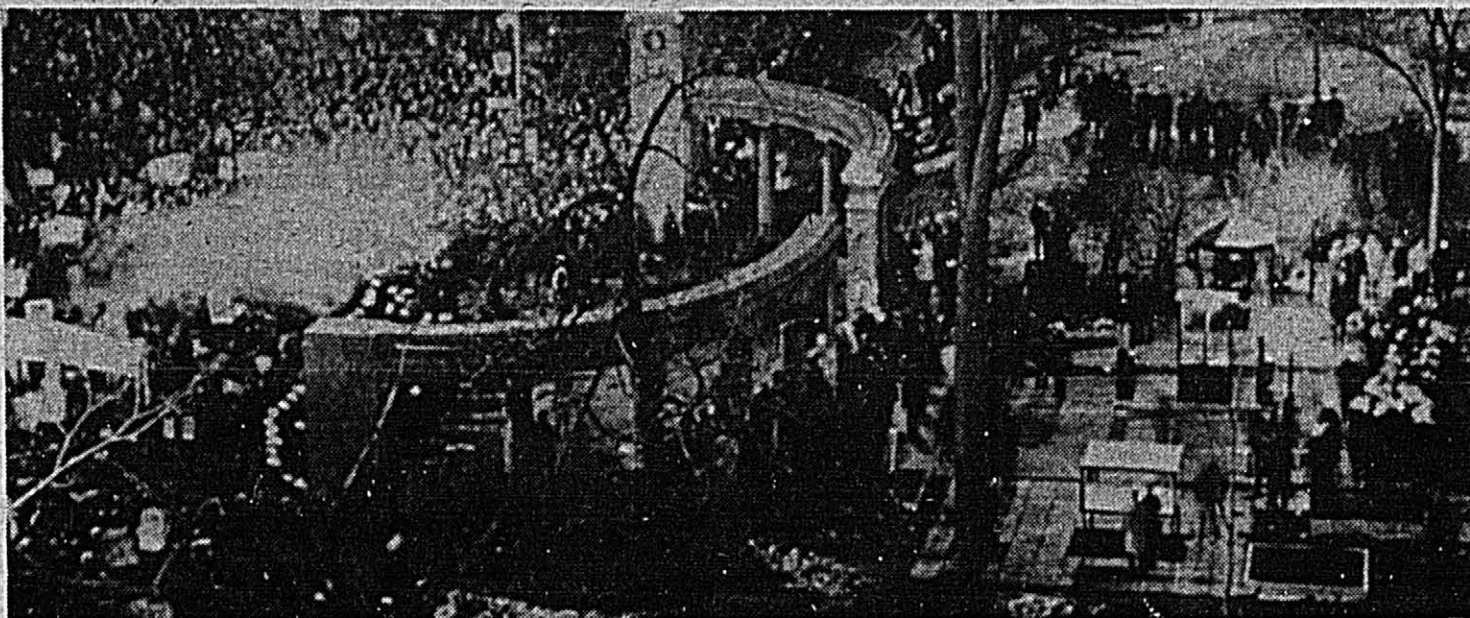
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GK



The problem of French at McGill

by arnold bennett

by Arnold Bennett

McGill will not become an officially bilingual university. And, considering that 47 percent of the students would not take any courses in French even if given the opportunity, it probably won't become a French-language university either.

After nearly two years of investigations, meetings with individuals inside and outside McGill, data gathering, and questionnaires, the Subcommittee on the Use of the French Language at McGill has completed its report and presented it to the Academic Policy Committee.

Its key conclusion is that bilingualism is not a workable option, since it "involves intrinsic difficulties independent of the broader political concerns." A university in which courses of study are duplicated in each two languages as in Louvain, Belgium, simply means a juxtaposition of two different unilingual universities joined by one administrative unit.

Not only would the success of this type of institution be linked directly to the tensions between the two language groups, but such a university would be extremely expensive to operate.

A "bilingual" university such as Ottawa or Laurentian, in which some departments or faculties function only in one language, is faced with a different type of problem. Over a period of time one of the languages tends to predominate the other.

Therefore, to become a bilingual university would be a temporary solution, a stage in the transition from one unilingualism to another, or from one unilingualism back to the same unilingualism.

McGill could in theory become a French-language university, but only over a fairly long period of time. Those who adhere to the doctrine of French unilingualism in Quebec see McGill as a threat to the survival of French in North America, since it maintains the bilingual character of the only metropolitan area in North America with potential as a centre for French language and culture.

The findings of the report show that a large proportion of the present staff and student body at McGill could not function comfortably in a French-speaking university. Only 29.5 percent of the students surveyed can understand French very well, while only 20.4 percent can write, or 22.5 percent speak French very well. The percentages for faculty on the same questions are respectively 14.8, 9.6, and 23.4.

There is "a strong body of opinion," particularly among faculty members, opposed to the widespread use of French as a language of instruction at McGill, and employing such arguments as the importance of English as an international language.

Even among the members of the teaching faculty who have some facility in French, a much smaller number would be prepared on short notice to teach in French. The report therefore concludes that a significant proportion of the present teaching staff would have to leave the university if the French

unilingual option were adopted.

With this degree of turnover, it would probably be difficult to recruit equally competent French-speaking staff for McGill without injuring the French-speaking institutions in Quebec, opponents of such a move argue.

There was no consensus within the 15-member committee on the question of a general language policy for the university. The split, according to Arts Vice-Dean John Trentman (Humanities), who headed the investigating committee, was always based on political consideration, such as the issue of French unilingualism for Quebec.

The other committee members were Professor Laurier LaPierre (French Canada Studies), Dr. Jacques Courville (medicine), Professors Robert Morrison (Management), Donald Patterson (Chemistry), Joseph de Stéin (Civil Engineering), André Rigault (Linguistics), Jan Lobelle (Education), Jean Lemyze (French), William Lambert (Psychology), and J. Roger Bider (Agriculture); Albert Tunis and Suzanne Côté of the Information Office, and students Paul Hirschfeld, Miriam Grassby and Stephen Lafferty. Courville, Patterson, Tunis, Hirschfeld and Grassby are no longer at McGill.

Although the committee basically advocated no change in general language policy, it did make a number of recommendations aimed at establishing and strengthening contacts between McGill and French-speaking Québecois:

- Holders of administrative positions from the level of departmental chairman up should possess "at least a passable proficiency" in French.

- Each administrative office should include at least one member of the clerical staff who possesses "a good level of proficiency" in French.

- In public relations McGill should be prepared to deal with the public in both French and English, and any official statement or publication intended for circulation outside McGill should be published in both languages.

- Publications designed primarily for circulation within the university should be done "in the language most appropriate to the subject," and courses and programmes should be announced in the language in which they will be given.

At present a little over 11 percent of McGill students claim French as their mother tongue, but this proportion is likely to increase in the next few years due to the CEGEP system. Therefore, the report recommends that all standard student services should be available in both French and English.

"It is one thing to expect a French-speaking student to follow a lecture in English; it is quite another, and unreasonable, to expect him to consult a counsellor or a physician in English."

- While each faculty would be allowed independence in determining the best way in which French might be used as a medium of instruction within its own courses, students should be allowed to write term papers, as well as examinations, in either French or English.

- In order that, among other things, faculty members can competently mark work done in French, high priority should be given to a further development of language courses for both staff and students at the least possible cost to those who take them.

It is unlikely that the passing of an examination in French will become a blanket requirement for admission to McGill, despite the "propaganda value" of such a measure. But individual faculties ought to consider the matter, the report recommends.

The Faculties of Agriculture, Dentistry, Engineering, Law, and Medicine submitted briefs to the committee. In general they were aware of the need to have a working knowledge of French in order to practice a profession in Quebec, and that McGill must help students to maintain their level of comprehension in French and increase their French vocabulary and knowledge in their technical and professional work.

However, they passed the responsibility for the teaching of French as a language to institutions of lower learning, and expressed their intention to orient French-speaking courses mainly to the English Quebecer.

The Faculty of Agriculture charged in its brief that "the Protestant school boards, and to some extent the English Catholic school boards, have lacked the will to ensure that their students have the proper grounding in the French language."

The Faculty of Agriculture's main recommendations were that a Department of French Studies be created within the Faculty to offer optional courses oriented toward the various professions, and that collaboration be undertaken with Francophone universities, with scholarships to enable promising students from Macdonald College to study at these institutions for up to one year.

According to the Faculty of Dentistry, "every citizen of this Province has available to him, in at least two universities, professional education in French. We maintain that McGill should continue to offer it in English."

It called for programmed instruction to be made available by the Department of French. This would consist of recorded instruction, and terms and phrases commonly used in dentistry, to be elective with no assignments or examinations, and available in the Dental areas of the University both staff and students.

The Engineering Faculty, although willing to make certain concessions in the use of French in term papers and oral examinations, "feels strongly that it must always be possible for a student to graduate without knowing French."

The Law Faculty may give some Quebec Civil Law courses in second or third year in French, starting in 1971-2 for a period of three years. If the programme is successful, it might be expanded to include first-year courses.

To the Faculty of Medicine, "the use of French, both internally and in our external contacts, is a matter of good manners and good sense." The Faculty intends to stress that a knowledge of French is most desirable for applicants.

Evaporation...

(Continued from page 4)

Questions

What is in their minds? Have a couple of individuals simply seized \$30,000 from a place of weakest resistance? Do they really not see the symbolic interpretation which must be placed on this seizure? Right now, when it is a priority for every conscious member of society to study and understand Québec, the mind boggles to see the rest of the university permit the slow death of this centre. It is equally insulting to see \$150,000 squandered on a Sesquicentennial while petty cash is saved by highly paid clerks in this manner.

Was "this way of dealing with the problem" the one found useful in eliminating East Asian Studies? Will it again prove its efficacy in handling Developing Area Studies?

Are the clerks lost with an outdated map, making ad hoc decisions according to their pocketbooks? Or do we credit them with a cultural masterplan with which they can scheme the return to eminence of McGill despite its short-sighted reaction to political reality?

Letters

"Boob tube" boob

Sir,

I think we should build on the save Monty Python movement. Television is the answer to many of our academic problems — and I don't mean TV lectures.

First, Sesame Street ought to replace philosophy classes. Then, we should get taped professional sports programmes to take the place of expensive college athletics. Also, Marcus Welby showings could be used to teach medicine students a little humility. Reruns of "Johnny Jellybean" would replace Senate meetings and tapes of "The World Tomorrow" and "Pulse News" (especially Bert Cannings) would replace the Daily Reporter, etc.

A Reader

Final solution?

Sir,

Earlier this term I read about the split-brain operation in psychology. In this operation the corpus callosum is severed and the two hemispheres of the brain begin to act a great deal more independently. Thus one side of the brain can be taught one thing and the other side taught the contradictory.

This seems to me an ideal operation for those concerned about an English McGill in a French Quebec. Since both solitudes have been acting to extremes lately we can teach people two different varieties of ethnic consciousness, to be drawn upon as the appropriate occasion requires.

Short of that, we can chemically induce schizophrenia; or instead seek ways to turn ethnic thoughts to people thoughts.

Name Withheld

Abernathy will not quit

by Alwyn Katz

The Reverend Dr. Ralph David Abernathy pledged Thursday to "do everything I possibly can do for justice and brotherhood and peace anywhere in the world."

Speaking at the Sir George civil rights teach-in, Abernathy as a start, declared "I will be an agitator until the US is free from racism."

Abernathy has been President of the Southern Leadership Conference since 1968 when he succeeded Martin Luther King Jr.

He has organized and led many protest and freedom drives, from the Montgomery Bus Boycott in 1955 to the many recent Poor People's Campaigns.

Abernathy compared himself to the steel agitator in a washing machine — "which beats articles until they are clean."

The Reverend emphasized over and over his intention of "staying on the case" until America has become "the land of ideals."

Insisting that, as long as any injustices or discrimination exist, they are infringements on everyone's rights, Abernathy called for the formation of an international non-violent movement to resolve "the problems and evils of the world."

The priorities of such an organization would be to "convert the world to one of peace and economic security for all."

Emphasizing his belief in non-violence, the Reverend argued, "Non-violence is greater than

violence; you cannot overcome the evils of the world by using another evil."

"Unless we put an end to war, war will put an end to mankind."

He called on Nixon to end the Vietnam war and bring the troops

home immediately.

Abernathy thought it incongruous and shameful that the US "is fighting on the side of a military dictatorship in the name of democracy;" he said he firmly believes that the people of Vietnam are opposed to the war.



REVEREND RALPH D. ABERNATHY, speaking at the SGWU teach-in, pledged to continue agitation in the US until it truly became "the land of ideals."

Socialist spokesman

Palestine must unite

by Françoise Roux

"The Arabs must now win support of Zionism and impede American intervention in the Middle-East and anywhere else in the world," Socialist Workers' Party spokesman Peter Buch proposed last night. "The Americans won't help us anymore than they help the Vietnamese."

The Arabs, he asserted, are prepared to build a new State along with those who were responsible for their tragic fate and with those who agree with them, as long as they uphold democratic ideals.

"Only a mass movement under the leadership of socialism can save the interests of people; such a struggle deserves the support of any partisan of self-determination and freedom."

Buch also called for Palestinian self-determination and Arab revolution.

He charged that Americans and Israelis are both to blame for the exploitation of the Arabs.

"Israel is today the most dangerous place for a Jew to be," Buch declared. As for the Am-

ericans, "we're only too glad to protect their oil industries," he added ironically.

The United States, he claimed, should have been able to neutralize the Middle-East "so that its oil would have been totally preserved."

Nixon's "bounds of sentiment and culture that tie one nation to the other" appear to him to be rather a result of its interests, such as the prevention of Soviet influence in Israel.

"The State of Israel, like the American way of life, is a cold phrase used by the rulers of the United States; that means the survival of a privileged establishment."

He alleged that the real origin of anti-semitism comes from those Arabs who are considered "foreigners on their own land."

"Nasser's military bureaucratic regime" failed to keep its promise of socialism and betrayed the Arab's interests as well, he charged, while the Soviet Union didn't move until the United States decided to intervene directly.

On the coexistence of two nations within the same land, he said that the question arises from a struggle between the Arab oppressed nation and the oppressors who are themselves exploited by religion.

However, the essence of the Palestinian struggle is really not against Jews but against their own oppression; and building up a new State will eliminate all problems.

Letter to Council:

ISA angry

Finance Director of the Students' Council:

We, the ISA council, were extremely shocked to hear of your recent unilateral action in freezing the budget of the Malaysian Singapore Students' Association — over a deficit of a mere \$20.42.

We would like to point out:

1. That your instructions to reduce the number of events in the package deal for the Malaysian Singapore Christmas Reunion originally proposed without reducing the ticket price, managed to grossly affect their expected attendance. Nevertheless, the deficit for the three day event was only \$5.67.

2. Their total deficit prior to 22/12/70 was \$14.75. Thus their total deficit to date is \$20.42.

3. Their projected deficit for the rest of the year is \$10 - 15, which makes a total of \$30 - 35 for the year.

This you obviously considered grounds for freezing the M.S.S.A. budget, when your expected expenditures for 1970-71 on student activities is \$206,922.00. What we would like to vehemently criticize is the method with which the Finance Committee dealt with the situation.

Mrs. Hempey informs us that it was O'Connell who told her to announce the verdict to the M.S.S.A. treasurer over the telephone. Before you attempt a hypocritical reply of "executive unity", we would like to know:

1. Why did the Finance Director not inform Mr Lim (the treasurer) of their decision formally.

2. If the Finance Committee, and how many of them, met before the decision was made.

3. Why there was no attempt to negotiate with the M.S.S.A. before the decision was made.

4. Why the "buck" was passed to Mrs. Sadie Hempey.

5. Have all budgets under the Students' Society been screened or scrutinized for possible freezing?

Considering the implied irregularities stated above, the I.S.A. Council would like to call for a complete investigation of the mechanisms by which such action is taken, and why.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Hosang (Chairman I.S.A. Council)

Around McGill

MFU to protest

The Executive Committee of the McGill Faculty Union is urging its members and all those concerned with civil liberties in Quebec to protest the continued imprisonment of Michel Chartrand, President of the 67,000 member Montreal Council of the CNTU.

MFU President Sidney Ingerman has called for widespread support for a demonstration sponsored by the CNTU's Montreal Council to protest refusal by judicial authorities to grant M. Chartrand his freedom on bail.

The demonstration will be held today between 5pm and 7pm outside the Parthenon Jail, near the Jacques Cartier bridge.

The MFU has also put the question of Quebec civil liberties and threats to academic freedom on the agenda of its general membership meeting to be held Friday February 5 at 3:30pm in the Arts Council Room.

Law applications

Candidates for admission to Ontario Law schools are advised to submit their applications early this year in order to facilitate prompt admissions decisions.

The law schools anticipate a large increase in applications and are hoping that much of the jam of red tape can be eliminated if the process is spread out over January, February and March.

Law schools at Queen's University, the University of Toronto, the University of Western Ontario, University of Windsor, and Osgoode Hall School (York University) require all applicants for the year 1971-72 to take the Law School Admission Test as part of their standard admission requirements.

The test will be given at most Ontario university campuses and in major Canadian cities on the following dates in 1971: Feb. 13, April 17 and July 31.

Candidates must register at least three weeks in advance of each test date. The test originates from Educational Testing Service of Princeton, New Jersey. The adoption of the test was thought to be necessary as a result of the growing number of applicants in recent years.

Students intending to apply to any of the above five Law schools should contact the Admissions Office at any one of those schools to obtain ap-

plication forms and further information.

Rhodes Scholar

A fourth-year McGill student in medieval Spanish history has been awarded a Rhodes scholarship.

Alastair Saunders, a native of Halifax, was awarded the scholarship by the Nova Scotian Rhodes Scholarship Board. Next fall he will go to Oxford University, where he will take a Bachelor of Philosophy.

Saunders is currently president of McGill's Historical Society and student representative to the History Department meetings.

In other scholarship news, the Delta Upsilon Fraternity is offering a \$2,500 scholarship to McGill graduates for graduate study at McGill or elsewhere.

Application should be made by letter to the Registrar before April 1, giving qualifications, intended general course of study, future plans, need of financial assistance, and names of two faculty members to whom the Selection Committee may refer for recommendations.

STAFF BOX

The guys to blame for this issue's birth, brought to you by courtesy of the Union's headless poltergeist. The Chief (22, expert at walking the tight-rope); The Silver Surfer (age unknown, unique IQ level); MacDuff (claims birth is a human fallacy, therefore this paper doesn't exist); Sergeant Fury (21, comic-book enthusiast); The Kamikaze (hates bananas ever since he slipped on one); the Midnight Skulker (gets his kicks from laying papers to bed).

E.U.S.

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Pucksters eke by Gees

by Allan Tanny

The McGill Redmen, led by Jim Yates, eked out a 5-4 win over the last place University of Ottawa Gee Gees Saturday afternoon.

The Redmen were never behind in the game, leading 1-0 after the first period; 4-3 after the second and holding on for a one-goal victory in an exciting but rather sloppy game.

Yates was officially credited with three goals, although the Redmen claimed he actually scored a fourth, deflecting in a long slapshot by John Donnelly. However, the goal was credited to Donnelly. Doug Crossley tallied the other McGill goal.

The Redmen were playing without the services of two veterans - Skippy Kerner and Peter Burgess.

Kerner was thrown off the squad, or quit, depending on which version you accept, last Monday. He was in his ninth year with the Redmen.

In an interview yesterday, Skippy said that "Gilmour's life is hockey, mine and Burgess' is dentistry - we play for fun."

Kerner and Coach Gilmour were in constant conflict over practices. Skippy would often show up late because of schoolwork - an excuse Gilmour could

not accept.

Last Monday Kerner went in to tell Gilmour that he would have to leave practice early that night and could not attend the next night because he had dental functions to attend to. That led to Kerner's banishment.

Yesterday, Burgess said that

he quit the team because of a personality conflict between him and the coach.

SLAPSHOTS: The next game is against the Universite de Montreal at the U of M - Tuesday night at 8 pm. Some visible support would be helpful.

Redmen whip YMCA 95-75

by Ira Turetsky

As a result of an easy 95-75 romp over the YMCA Senior team, the Redmen Basketball team extended its current winning streak to four games while running its record to 8-5.

The YMCA was supposed to be one of the stronger senior teams in the city, but they were totally unable to cope with the speed and depth of the Redmen. Seven players hit double figures for the McGill contingent, led by Mike Reid, Art Sandman and Howie Roseman each of whom counted 15. Once again, however, Bill Holt was the outstanding player on the floor. Holt, who scored 12 points gathered 24 rebounds, made six steals, six assists, and blocked numerous shots.

This week, the Redmen find themselves confronted by the most crucial challenges of the season. On Wednesday, they travel to Loyola for a Coupe de Quebec contest. Although this game is important in regard to both the rivalry with Loyola and the Coupe, it is of secondary importance compared with the two OQAA contests to be played on the week-end.

The Redmen are presently in second place, and if they can stay there, they will go to the OQAA play-offs. In order to attain this end, the McGill contingent will have to defeat Ottawa U. on Friday and Carleton on Saturday.

In previous meetings with each of the teams, the Redmen recorded narrow victories, both of which were in doubt until the final seconds. Ottawa has beaten Queens, and Carleton has beaten Ottawa. Obviously, the Red and White will have no easy time of it.



McGILL MEN'S INTRAMURALS

WATER POLO

(INNER-TUBE)

The McGill Men's Intramural Department is now accepting team entries for its Inner Tube Water Polo League. This league will begin on February 10th, and all games will be played during the evening in the Currie Pool.

Teams are made up of a minimum of 6 players with a maximum of 10. This is not an Inter-Faculty League and any group of male students or staff (with gym membership card) may form a team.

Rules and further information are available at the Intramural Office in the Currie Gym or by calling 392-4730. Inner tubes are supplied.

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Sports
Editorial*Sports, mythology, and the Montreal Expos*

Professional sport has, with the aid of the mass media, created a unique mythology of its own. Perhaps the most powerful of those myths is that of the professional athlete as demi-god.

As the athlete has come increasingly under the 'public eye', the media has found it necessary to de-emphasize those qualities of aggression, sadism and outright brutality that are needed to succeed in this field. The image that goes along with such characteristics is not a saleable one. Rather, they (the media) have attempted to play up the off-the-field activities of the player, in order to create an illusory super-hero whose athletic prowess is only one of the things that make him such a great competitor.

Thus an article on Bobby Orr generally spends little time discussing his talents and the aggressive desire that complements them, but instead concentrates on the modest-small-town-boy-who's-still-shy-with-girls aspect of him.

Similarly, professional athletes making guest appearances on television do not discuss the game and demonstrate how to block, forecheck, or pull down rebounds, but rather are expected to tell jokes, sing songs, and discuss the implications of the instant replay with Marshall McLuhan and Truman Capote.

Super Comedy

This phenomenon reached its apex several weeks ago with an hour long special called the Super Comedy Bowl, in which the "nation's finest football players" suffered through an hour of folk-singing, tap-dancing, and just about any other non-talent they possessed. The result was, of course, as absurd as if the Cartwright family had taken on the Temptations in a televised game of football.

These athletes did not gain their reputation as comedians, intellectuals, or even 'nice guys'. They earned it because they happen to perform their particular skill better than anyone else in North America. They should not have to sell us any other im-

age in order to obtain respectability.

This myth of the athlete as 'super-being' is a hard one to maintain and several recent events suggest that it may well be breaking down.

Dave Meggessey, former NFL football player, wrote an article for Life magazine in which he revealed the sordid dependence on drugs that the athlete develops as a result of the continual pain and anxiety inherent in pro sports. As well he pointed out the sickness of the society in which the pro athlete lives, in terms even more disparaging than those of former CFL lineman Jim McMurty, whose article we published last week.



'rules of the game'

In like manner, Dick Butkus, the ruthless linebacker for the Chicago Bears, also pulled no punches in a recent 'talk show'

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interview. When asked that he strived for in football, Butkus answered with candid if naive honesty: "What I strive for is... to see a player unconscious on the field... and know that I did it."

If the athlete's professional image has been tarnished by such disclosures then other rev-

elations have done equal damage to his public stature.

For years Bobby Hull has been described as Mr. Everything. Rarely has the excellence of his talents been extolled without constant reference to the fact that he is as well a powerful physical specimen and a fine family man, with pictures of his farm, biceps, and smiling family to prove it. In late November, a small note in several papers mentioned the fact that Hull's wife was suing for divorce on grounds of cruelty. Hull had allegedly thrown her off a second storey balcony.

Equally interesting is the case of Lance Rentzel, a long-time flashy receiver for the Dallas Cowboys. Much has been written of Rentzel's sportsmanship, his marriage to Hollywood actress Joey Heatherton, and the unselfish attitude which makes him such a great team player. Two months ago he was arrested for making indecent advances to a 10 year old girl. It was apparently the second incident of this kind (psychiatric treatment had been suggested earlier) and the publicity surrounding the incident will likely force an end to Rentzel's career. Pro football can 'little afford such a flagrant example of the repressed sexuality that such a sport must conceal. It is not the stuff from which heroes are made.

What prompted the writing of this piece was an incident much closer to home that occurred less than two weeks ago.

Ever since the baseball Expos arrived in Montreal, an aura of glamour has surrounded their every move. Continual human interest stories in local press and TV have made them more than just an exciting baseball team, but a group of idolized heroes who, if one believes the tales, are some of the nicest guys you've ever met.

Two Sundays ago they played an exhibition basketball game here



MONTREAL EXPOS; 'a collection of fun-loving roundball rascals'?

at McGill as part of a fund-raising promotion for the Pakistani Relief Fund. It was discovered at the beginning of the game that the Expos were charging the fund 400 dollars for their participation. As well, when the Expos learnt that only 100 people had shown up to watch and the net receipts would be only 250 dollars, they balked and refused to play. It was only after the promoter offered to put up 100 dollars of his own and forget the Relief Fund entirely

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that the Expos agreed to step onto the court.

400 dollar misunderstanding

An article in last week's Sunday Express by Dick Bacon, entitled "the \$400 misunderstanding" goes to great lengths to absolve the Expos of any guilt. Bacon emphasizes the idea that if the Expos played one game for 'charity' then they would have to play them all for charity. As well he plays up the fact that the Expos returned the money several days later upon learning of the fund's predicament. What he neglects to mention however is that they had been under heavy pressure by local media to do so... that two leading sportscasters had already questioned the morality of making money out of the Relief Fund's losses. In short, it was becoming an issue whose effects could be more damaging than a 400 dollar loss.

As well, I think Mr. Bacon has missed a central point. Yes, the Expos are entitled to charge 400 dollars every time they play basketball. They also have the right to refuse to make exceptions, even if the money they are taking should be going to save the lives of starving people. They can even, I suppose, refuse to step onto the court if the char-

ity that sponsored the game could not even make enough money to pay them their complete fee. They are perfectly within their rights to do all of this... but then they must be accepted for what they are — selfish money-conscious individuals who are interested in little else but their own pockets.

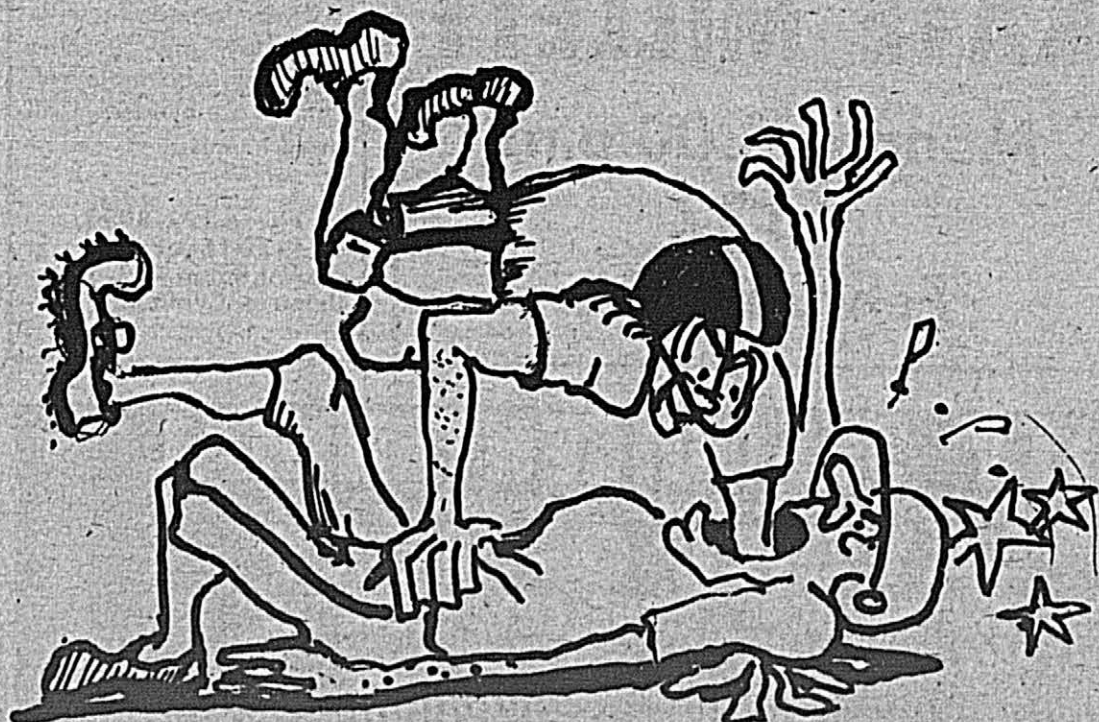
They have to stop being sold to this city as the altruistic, self-sacrificing demi-gods that they have been to date. They should be presented as ordinary human beings who happen to have the combination of talent and aggressive desire to make it in the majors. But that's all.

Roundball rascals

They're not the rosy-faced innocents portrayed in the page long profiles that come out every third day of the basketball season. Nor are they the totally unselfish team players we are told to cheer for every time their motorcade passes thru the city. Nor, for that matter, are they a "collection of fun-loving roundball rascals" who were 'victimized by an incompetent promoter,' as Mr. Bacon would have us believe. They are talented baseball players, nothing more, and as good as they are some of them are aching to use their fists, as many of the Redmen will tell you after participating in the often vicious 'Pakistan' game.

The Expos are no more guilty of such charges than other professional teams. In order to succeed in big-time sports, you have to be in continual high gear aiming at the big money pay-off that will keep you going after you can't play any more. And you have to be ruthless and aggressive enough to get it at all costs.

Professional sport requires and breeds all sorts of socially unacceptable behaviour. It's unfortunate enough that it has to be that way; the least we can do is stop concealing it.



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